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Dear Sir:

Petition Under 37 CFR § 1.313(c)(2) To Withdraw From Issue After Payment Of The Issue Fee

Applicants hereby petition for withdrawal of the above-referenced application from issue for treatment of the contemporaneously filed Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR § 1.114.

A Notice of Allowance/Issue Fee Due was mailed on February 25, 2004, and the issue fee was paid on May 25, 2004. Applicants submit herewith a Request for Continued Examination with an Information Disclosure Statement. Applicants respectfully assert that this Petition satisfies all requirements of 37 CFR §§ 1.313(c)(2) and 1.114.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment for the filing of this Petition in the sum of \$130 to Deposit Account 50-1275. The Commissioner is further authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any over payment associated with this application to Deposit Account 50-1275.

Early and favorable action on this Petition is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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